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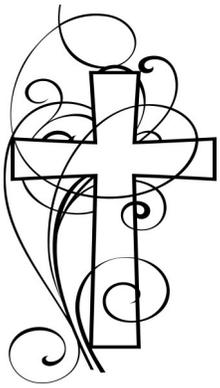
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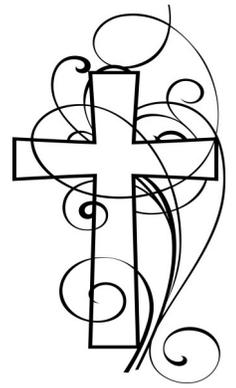
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# Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's. If you are new to the family, please know that you are always welcome here. It would be our blessing to meet you after worship for Coffee and Conversation, and to share with you some of the many exciting things that are happening here at FSA. Rev. Michelle Down wants to hear from you! Please contact her at [revmichelledown@fsaunited.com](mailto:revmichelledown@fsaunited.com) or on her cell at 519-709-9554 anytime.

**Bold type** indicates congregational response. \* indicates to stand, if able.

## Music to Enter into God's Presence:

Cinq Strophes sur l'hymne Sanctorum meritis

Alexandre Guilmant

**Welcome & Announcements:** Praying for our youth at Worshiplude in Ottawa

\***Hymn:** VU #697 O for a World

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## Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

## Lighting the Christ Candle:

Heather Guthrie

**Music:** VU #578 As a Fire Is Meant for Burning  
Senior Choir

JOYOUS LIGHT

## Call to Worship:

Linda Badke

**One:** Jesus reminds us: "God sends rain on the just and the unjust."

**ALL:** **Yet we seek to be a people who uphold the just ways of God.**

**One:** Jesus asks us: "If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you?"

**ALL:** **Yet we seek to love our neighbour as we love ourselves.**

**One:** Jesus ponders: "If you welcome only your loved ones, how can you be seen doing anything more than other people?"

**ALL:** **Yet we seek to be hospitable to all, and caring to everyone we meet.**

**One:** Jesus invites us here to gather in worship as a community of faith.

**ALL:** **We come together to worship God as followers of Jesus' way.**



## Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

Linda Badke

Let Us Pray;

God of surprises, your presence can be evident in the ordinary events of life,  
and your truth can be seen in the many challenges we face.

Wherever we are, and whatever we do,  
we are open to your Spirit, which empowers us.

Inspire us to look for ways to reach out in love and understanding;  
give us the insight to serve in ways that nurture and encourage others.

Set us on a path of wholeness as we honour the well-being of all we meet.

Be our guide and our source of purpose so we may be generous in spirit,  
giving of our time, talent and treasure to make real your mission of peace, hope and  
love.

In Jesus' name we pray,

and in his example we share together these words of prayer:

"Our Father, who art in heaven...."

**\*Hymn:** VU #579 The Church Is Wherever God's People                      OLD CORNISH CAROL  
(with added verses from Rev. Dr. Bill Steadman)

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| 1) The church is wherever God's people are praising, singing God's goodness for joy on this day. The church is wherever disciples of Jesus remember his story and walk in his way.          | 3) The church is wherever God's people are serving, lifting the spirits of those near and far; the church is wherever all guests can feel welcomed in places of worship wherever they are. |
| 2) The church is wherever God's people are helping, caring for neighbours in sickness and need. The church is wherever God's people are sharing the words of the Bible in gift and in deed. | 4) The church is wherever we focus on others, walking with them and addressing their needs. The church is wherever we seek to do justice through kindness and love in our everyday deeds.  |

*(words by Bill Steadman © 2014, may be used for Mission and Service service)*

## Forming Young Faith:

Barb Dalrymple & Pat Pettit

### Stewardship Seconds:

As stewards of the gospel, our rewards are in receiving its blessings.

**Anthem:** Be the Light of Christ Wes Cameron

**Scripture:** Micah 6:6-8 Linda Badke  
Matthew 5:43-48

**Message:** Nancy Howard from ELUCO

**\*Hymn:** VU#690 From the Slave Pens of the Delta OMNI DIE

## Offering

**Offertory Music:** In Christ There is No East or West Dale Wood

**\*Offertory Refrain:** VU#581 When We Are Living – verse 2 SOMOS DEL SENOR

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.  
Good works of service are for offering.  
When we are giving, or when receiving,  
we belong to God, we belong to God.



## \*Prayer of Dedication

**\*Hymn:** VU#606 In Christ There Is No East or West MCKEE

## \*Blessing and Benediction

### \*Benediction Response:

VU#601 The Church of Christ in Every Age - verse 5 WAREHAM

We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord:  
to care for all without reserve and spread Christ's liberating word.

## Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:

Rondeau Medievale Joel Martinson

### The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Marilyn & David Beach and Jean & Bill Knowles

Narthex Co-ordinator: Pat Pettit

Coffee & Conversation: M/O Committee

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.